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FROM C. Preston Cunningham - G4NH  
(NAME-LOCATION-PHONE)

DATE : November 18, 1980

SUBJECT : Dead Creek  
Sauget, Illinois

REFERENCE :

TO : R. J. Mahoney


cc L. Fernandez  
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bcc: E. N. Brasfield  
M. Dmytryszyn  
J. T. Nolan  
W. B. Papageorge  
F. E. Reese  
M. C. Throdahl

The Dead Creek issue across the river is anything but dead! The cooperative samples on that area which both the Illinois EPA and Monsanto analyzed indicate PCB's as high as 13,000 ppm. Compared with a U.S. EPA standard of 50 ppm, you can see it's unlikely that the matter will die. There were many other materials found in the samples, and since this creek (or more appropriately named, ditch) has been sealed off from the Krummrich Plant and is approximately a half mile away, it is reasonable to expect that we were not the responsible parties for placing the PCB in this area. Be that as it may, I feel strongly that the low-key request for Monsanto to "be a good citizen and clean it up anyway" will receive momentum under Governor Thompson's drive as well as public interest in this issue.

Additional sampling between Monsanto's property and the subject Dead Creek area is being done on the property of Cerro Copper which lies between these two areas. We'll be doing some additional work inside our fence.

We have reviewed the situation with Messrs. Throdahl, Reese and Nolan, and the three of them will be kept up to date and could handle any immediate questions you might have. The purpose of this memo is to offer a 15-minute "show and tell" on this subject by Mr. Papageorge prior to the next public episode. Such a review is not necessary, but is offered should you desire.

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August 2, 1991

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Re: Cerro Copper Products/Dead Creek Segment A Removal Action

Dear Mike:

This is a follow-up on Brent Gilhousen's June 27, 1991 letter to you on the matter referenced above. As you are no doubt aware, William Boyle, Plant Manager for Monsanto's Krummrich Plant, has been in contact with his counterparts at Cerro Copper to arrange a meeting on this subject for August 6, 1991.

While I will not be attending that meeting in that we do not envision discussions of legal positions, I will be the Monsanto attorney on this matter. Accordingly, if you will be making further contacts on behalf of Cerro Copper on these issues, please contact me directly. My telephone is 314/694-1278. My FAX number is 314/694-2594.

Very truly yours,

  
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